

SUNFLOWER SPECTACULAR!



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UPCOMING TRIPS
& MORE!

Sunflower Spectacular - Day Trip

Sunday 21 February 2024

Deb Thyne (Trip Leader)

It was a cool but smoky, hazy morning as Joy Unno and I set off together to the meeting point in Baldivis. Well, need to be honest here, we were so busy talking we both missed the BP Baldivis (Southbound) exit sign, and it was some 10km further on that we realised! With plenty of time up our sleeves we turned at the next available exit and headed back.

The Paddock at Crooked Brook sunflower display is a very popular event and unfortunately some registered to attend didn't purchase tickets in time and missed out. In addition to visiting the sunflowers a VIP was on board with Gnomie I fixed, repainted and varnished ready to return to Gnomesville complete with a Subaru matchbox car attached to his foot.

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President's Report

Deborah Thyne



February 2024

Attending the Oceans 27 breakfast event in Alkimos reminded me of what a lovely place we live in. We have access to some beautiful locations be they on the coast or inland. With that in mind have a look at the trips available in the coming few months where I think you will find something for everyone.

Consider attending the **Wandoo Night Drive** once again being ably led by David Peck. This trip always receives great reviews and having never been on one I will certainly be going along this year. There is a **Paddle n Picnic** day trip on offer on 25 February and do consider the **Camp Oven Cookout and Demonstration** on 18 and 19 May. If preferred, you can come along for the day, but you might miss a lovely dinner cooked over the coals.

Check out the Trips Calendar on the Club website to see everything on offer.

Thanks go to Greg and Vanessa Carn who did a great repair job on the Club mascot, Gnomie I. He was repainted before being returned to retirement in Gnomesville on the Sunflower Spectacular trip. Gnomie II went on the trip too.

A reminder that the **February General Meeting** is being held at **Ranger Outdoors** in **Cannington** and browsing can commence from 6pm. There will be a short meeting at the usual time. Come along and see what you might need for that next trip with the Club.

See you out there in your Subaru!

WA4WD Association Gathering & Expo 2024 19-21 APRIL

Come to to the **Gathering Weekend at White Gum Farm** near York and meet our fellow Association Clubs for a **great social time** around the camp fire. Lots of other **FUN & INFORMATIVE** activities.



Let's have a good showing from our Club.

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12 MARCH GENERAL MEETING LEARN HOW TO PLAN A TRIP!

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VALE KARL BOEING - CLUB MEMBER 2003 TO 2023

Joy Unno



I am sad to announce that long-time member Karl Boeing passed away on 14 December 2023 after a long battle with cancer. The committee would like to thank club member Uta Bauer for her generous support of Karl in his last few months of life. Uta brought Karl to General Meetings when he was well enough and was the liaison between the club and Karl's family. Karl's son Adrian said that Karl loved going on Subaru 4WD Club trips and thought of his friends in the club as a second family. Adrian said that in his last days Karl would lie in bed dressed in his yellow club shirt, looking at his blue club cap sitting in his lap. Always generous, Karl gave away most of his club uniforms and all of his camping gear to club members when he could no longer use these items.



Karl was an enthusiastic participant in club activities right from the start. He soon joined the Remote Desert Trips group and one of my first trips with him was the Canning Stock Route Well 6 Repair trip in 2008. I noticed that besides his cheerful smile, Karl also displayed a keen willingness to help in any activity that was going on, whether it was helping to change a tyre, push a car out of a bog, or fix lights in a long drop toilet. He had construction and electronic skills having taught building courses in TAFE and later ran his own consulting company. A very handy person to have on a trip. He knew computing as well and created and maintained the club's first website until the current one was started in 2010.



From social day trips, including the Finska Championships, to extended remote trips such as the Simpson Desert in 2009 and the Three Amigos Bight trip in 2010, Karl was always a great fellow traveller and good all-round guy. He was known for putting the biggest logs on the campfire, wearing mismatched shoes occasionally, doing all the beach or rock pool swims and long walks, and enjoying being out in nature enormously. He had a playful and adventurous side to him and would climb anything.

He leaves a legacy of good works in the club and many friends with fond memories.

We will miss his happy presence in our club. Vale, Karl.

Versunkener Apfelkuchen (Sunken Applecake)

Uta Bauer

Applecake is a staple for the afternoon cake and coffee ritual Germans enjoy. This is an easy recipe that is given for a Thermomix but with modifications for those without.

Ingredients

125 g room temperature butter diced
100 g sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 pinch salt
3 eggs
Zest of 1 small lemon
1-2 tablespoon milk
200 g self raising flour
4 medium apples eg Grannies

Preparation

Preheat the oven to 200°C (I found 200° too hot for my oven.)

1. Put butter, sugar, vanilla sugar, salt, eggs and lemon into the Thermomix and mix 1 min./level 4.
Or use electric beaters and mix until well combined
2. Add milk and flour into the mixing pot and mixing 2 min./stage 4.
Or fold in flour and add milk sufficient for a smooth batter
3. Grease or line with baking paper a springform cake tin (diameter 26-28 cm) and pour in the batter.
4. Peel apple and cut into quarters. Cut each quarter in approx 3-5mm slices but not all the way through (like you would prepare hasselback potatoes). The original recipe calls this feathering the apples. Press each quarter into the dough.
5. Bake on medium shelf for 40-50 min then let cool and serve with cream.

Guten Appetit.



Sunflower Spectacular!

Cover Story

With Ross Mead joining us in Baldivis we headed south and, negotiating roadworks on the outskirts of Bunbury, we soon reached Dardanup. Graeme and Naomi Sexton had tickets to attend earlier in the morning and we caught up with them in the information bay before heading to the nearby bakery. There were some very delectable items on offer, but Ross and I couldn't go past a good old fashioned cinnamon roll.

We headed the short distance down the road to **The Paddock**. Graeme and Naomi were allowed to go in again. Despite promotion of being able to cut your own sunflowers for a donation, the farm had to cease this as some people were cutting full blooms from the incorrect area affecting the display. However, we were allowed to cut sunflowers at the back of the block that had finished flowering for their seed. There was an animal farm and face painting for the children.



Wandering amongst the sunflowers, some were in full bloom, others fading, and some had finished. The Paddock had opened a week earlier than anticipated when the sunflowers started blooming so many flowers were past their best, this being the last day of the event. Never-the-less, the bees were very busy and there were still a lot of sunflowers in bloom. Others had patterns including hearts and faces carved into the seed areas. There were plenty of photo opportunities and we all loved it. Who could not be happy amongst such lovely bright and happy flowers! We agreed it would be good to arrange another trip next year. Staff advised us if we are going as a club, we can make a group booking and even order a lunch box and sit in the grassed event area in the middle of the sunflowers.



After some discussion we all agreed lunch in the bush would be lovely, so Ross led us out of Dardanup to the **Crooked Brook Forest**. In the shady bush were some picnic shelters and long drop toilets. Short walks can be taken from this point as well. We sat and chatted while we ate our lunch. It was rather warm so we chose not to do a walk but it is a place worth visiting again.

Ross knows this area very well and offered to take us to a couple of places in addition to Gnomesville. Firstly, Ross took us up an unmade road into Wellington B pine forest. He explained how as a new forestry graduate, he was tasked with supervising the installation of contour banks to prevent erosion and the construction of roads within the plantation. At times this involved blasting rocks to assist with road construction. He also had to walk up and down the impressive hills as part of this work! Pine timber was and is still used in industries such as housing. Following logging, the hillside areas were replanted with the current second generation pine trees – by hand! These are still growing.

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Sunflower Spectacular!

From here it was a short drive to **Gnomesville**. Some of us had not been before so it was an interesting place to explore. We had Gnomie I and II with us but were seeking out a suitable spot to put Gnomie I back. He has previously been placed here but was damaged after some flooding. After a good look around we all considered a small, recessed tree stump in a newer area. A meditating gnome is on the top of the stump. Gnomie I, despite some great repair work by Greg, is still a little fragile so the tree stump provides some shelter from sun and rain. He was carefully installed and 'secured' with a log across the front and some carefully placed stones. Gnomie II said goodbye to Gnomie I as we did and, after strolling back through Gnomesville we headed off to another spot known by Ross, **King Jarrah Tree**.



After a short drive we found ourselves in some more beautiful forest and the more than 300-year-old jarrah tree. It had one of the familiar "hollow butts" but was incredibly high and still had sparse foliage on the top. There were also some towering and flowering majestic marri trees.

Ross had informed us earlier in the day that as a result of jarrah dieback the marri trees begin to flourish in the forest as they are resistant to dieback. Ross also showed us the base of a tree that had been previously felled by hand. Once pointed out, the cut marks used to put planks in to stand on were clear. It was explained once in on either side of the tree the cutters chopped into the tree until there was enough wood taken out to put in a cross saw resulting in the tree being felled. What hard work that must have been.

We pulled out our chairs enjoying afternoon tea together in the forest including some home baked delectable delights. A breeze kept the temperature quite reasonable.

From here we made our way out to the South Western Highway on our journey home. On our way we were spoilt with fabulous views from the scarp across to the coast.

As the others headed home Joy and I made our way onto the Forrest Highway for our longer journey home. We all agreed it had been a very enjoyable day, especially with Ross sharing his history and knowledge of the area.



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Gnomie I - The Journey Back to Gnomesville



GNOMIE I WAS DAMAGED IN A FLOOD. GREG & VANESSA BOGGED HIM UP IN PREPARATION FOR DEB PAINTING HIM



GNOMIE II (GREY BEARD) IS WAITING AT DEB'S FOR GNOMIE I TO ARRIVE



GNOMIE I IS HERE! HE HAS A BROWN BEARD.

HE HANGS OUT IN THE GARDEN WITH GNOMIE II AND WEE XMAS GNOMIE



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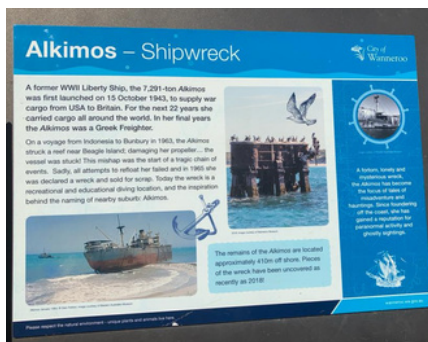
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Oceans 27 Beautiful Beachside Breakfast

Saturday 20 February

Twenty people braved the wild unknown (for some), northern most reaches of Perth's urban expansion at the newly minted north end of the Mitchell Freeway in Alkimos for this Saturday morning beachside breakfast. Some came via the scenic route due to out-dated GPSs but all made it to Oceans 27 restaurant eventually and were very glad that they did.

We had quite a cross-section of club members attending. It was good to see the 'Very Long-term Members', Nina, Keith Wilcox and family, and Ray Rabbit, the 'Long-term Members' David and his wife Marion, Tom Minto and me (Joy), the 'More Recent Members' (too many to mention), a 'Pending Member' – Christie, and 'Guests' Scott and Kat (my son, who has an XV and my lovely daughter-in-law). Fortunately, Barb and Gus came as well, so I was able to officially hand over their Silly Award (the Ken & Barbie Award for always dressing alike), along with their prize which was matching sunflower socks).



Oceans 27 is an absolute eatery gem sporting a relaxed holiday vibe with wooden slat tables and chairs or benches (with cushions if you want), all under shady beach umbrellas or sails, plus some indoor tables and seating. There is very a Bali-like bar/café to one side and a stunning million-dollar view of green lawn and the sparkling blue waters of the Indian Ocean (with a piece of the SS Alkimos, wrecked off the coast in 1963, just visible above the waves).

The staff were very friendly and efficiently dealt with our large party, dispensing drinks and platters of food. Absolutely amazing food. Kudos to the chefs! For myself, I had the French Bene croissant with two perfectly poached eggs and pepper-cured salmon. I would happily have eaten any of the other breakfasts such as the decadently delicious Sticky Date Hotcakes or the artfully arranged Sweet Buddha.

To add to the morning's activities, there was a local fair on nearby with art and craft stalls, a colourful mini train giving children's rides, and a celebrity visit by Bluey and Bingo (it must have been hot in those costumes). Everyone agreed it was a very pleasant and fun social get-together at a wonderful venue.

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LEDGE & LANCELIN BEACH - 14 JANUARY - ALISON GILL

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After a short briefing we all set off at 08:30. We arrived at Lancelin at 09:15 and Adrian gave us a talk on deflating tyres and traction controls on the various models. After everyone had deflated their tyres, we all set off to hit the beautiful beach just before 10:00 am.



We headed south down the beach. There were quite a lot of people on the beach as the temperature was a forecast 33 degrees for the day but being right on the water it was quite lovely. After a short 20-minute drive we all stopped for morning tea and a swim.

We had a great time cooling off with the odd blowie nibbling our toes and Sin bought his Stand-Up Paddle Board (SUP) and there were a few who gave that a try. Others bravely ventured out with goggles and snorkels to check out some reef just off the shore.

After consuming some delicious nibbles we set off. Unfortunately (or fortunately?), this gave us our first opportunity to use some of our sand rescuing techniques as one of our members became bogged. This was followed by another two bogging events that followed in short succession and after a bit of "digging" it was discovered that his tyres had not been let down sufficiently. As soon as this was rectified it was smooth sailing.



Next there was a tricky ascent with a sharp corner at the top. My son Brody was having his first drive on L Plates and had a blast showing off his rally skills; I did my best to maintain a relatively calm demeanour. Shortly after this corner a few cars were separated from the main group which highlighted the need for good convoy procedure.

At about 13:00 pm we started to head back to Lancelin going north along the beach.


We pumped up our tyres and most then congregated at a little park with a nice gazebo where we all had our packed lunches and chatted about the events of the morning and other things. Members then all trickled away back home between 14:10 and 14:30.

A great day was had by all.



Trips & Socials

Please refer to the club website for all dates & details

 <https://www.subaru4wdclubwa.au/>

FEBRUARY 2024

* WANDOO NIGHT DRIVE
10 FEBRUARY

* WEDGE ISLAND
18 FEBRUARY

DRAKESBROOK WEIR PICNIC N
PADDLE
25 FEBRUARY



MARCH 2024

BARRABUP SANCTUARY LWE
2 - 4 MARCH

LET'S GO FOR BROKE
29 MARCH - 01 APRIL EASTER LWE

APRIL 2024

* EASTER MON 4WD & LUNCH
01 APRIL

* KAARAKIN CLEAN UP
07 APRIL

WA4WDA GATHERING
19 - 21 APRIL

MILLIGAN'S ISLAND MOSEY
25 - 28 APRIL ANZAC LWE

OTHER HALF OF HUNT
25 - 25 APRIL ANZAC LWE

UHF radios are required for all club trips. They can be hired from the club by indicating on the website when you put your name down for a trip or by contacting trips co-ordinator Adrian on 0424 723 558 or email trips@subaru4wdclubwa.au



MAY 2024

* MOORE RIVER ESTUARY PADDLE
05 MAY

CAMPFIRE COOKING WEEKEND
18 - 19 MAY

JUNE 2024

GIBB RIVER ROAD & BEYOND
16 JUNE ONWARDS

* KAARAKIN CLEAN UP
16 JUNE

JULY 2024

TRIP TO THE TOP
06 JULY ONWARDS

SEPTEMBER 2024

QUAALUP QUEST II
20 - 23 SEPTEMBER LWE



The Club is running trips for members in accordance with the latest advice issued by the WA State Government COVID-19 Guidelines.

Trip Promotions



WANDOO NIGHT DRIVE SATURDAY 10 FEB

This fun and exciting night drive goes along a series of forestry tracks from "The Lakes" service station on Great Eastern Hwy, through undulating Wandoo National Park forest, circling the water catchment edge.

We'll be stopping at Mt Observation for a picnic dinner.
An easy trip and suitable for all Subaru.

Sorry no dogs in National Parks.

WEDGE ISLAND DAY TRIP SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY

We're heading north to Wedge Island Beach for a run along there and the dunes.

Join us for this fun day trip as we explore beach and dune areas, stopping to enjoy the water for swimming, kayaking fishing or just relaxing. Family friendly, easy 4WD day out. Come prepared with beach gear, basic 4WD gear. Foresters, Outbacks and XVs are all suitable.



DRAKESBROOK WEIR PICNIC N PADDLE SUNDAY 25 FEBRUARY

Bring your family, kayaks, SUPs, or Jumbo Inflatable Flamingo pool toys and a BBQ or picnic lunch for this day trip to Drakesbrook Weir, 5 minutes from the town of Waroona.

Note: If a strong easterly wind is forecast for the day, forget the SUPs unless you are a super-strong paddler. You'll end up blown to one side of the lake.

The swimming is good whether it's windy or not. There is a pontoon to swim out to. Drakesbrook Weir (Lake Moyanup) is a beautiful setting to enjoy a swim, fish, canoe, picnic or barbecue. Undulating hills provide a picturesque backdrop to this popular spot with lawn, shaded tables, electric barbecues, and public toilets.



BARRABUP POOL 2 - 4 MARCH LONG WEEKEND



Join us for a long weekend relaxing by the Blackwood River and camping at Barrabup Sanctuary near Nannup.

We have the WHOLE campsite to ourselves to fit 15 cars/camper trailers. There are flushing toilets and hot showers. Also, a large undercover area with firepit and gas BBQ. There is a river for canoeing, kayaking, etc. The nearby Barrabup Pool is excellent and safe swimming for kids.

LET'S GO FOR BROKE 29 MAR - 1 APR EASTER LONG WEEKEND



It's summer time so how about a trip to the cooler climes of the south coast?

We will camp at the Boat Harbour Camp situated between Walpole and Denmark.

Let's explore the mouth of the Broke Inlet (4x4), Mandalay Beach, Valley of the Giants & the Tree Top Walk, Boat Harbour (4x4), the pretty town of Walpole, and the Walpole - Nornalup Inlets set amongst the beautiful karri and tingle forests.

Please refer to the website for more information & to register for any trips

If you have an idea for a trip please let us know!



SUBARU 4WD CLUB OF W.A. INC.

CLUB MERCHANDISE – buy items at meetings



Bisley khaki 100% cotton long sleeve shirts (Mens and Women's sizes) are available at a subsidised cost of \$40 with logo (but no name) and \$45 with logo and name.

If you buy a shirt from Club stock with no name, you can have your name added later by taking the shirt to Hip Pocket in Balcatta and having it embroidered (on the spot if you ring first) at a cost of \$9.



Royal blue & white ("Contrast") polyester/cotton polo shirts (with pocket) are available at a subsidised cost of \$15



JBsWear Full Zip Polar Jackets (in Mens and Women's sizes) with logo (to be added) are available for \$36.

Details: 100% polyester for durability; 290gsm low pill polar fleece; 2 front pockets; and adjustable elastic hem with toggles.



Cap – royal blue and white. Logo to be added. \$15



Broad Brimmed Khaki Hat \$20



Royal blue and white ("Podium Bold") 100% polyester polo shirts (with pocket) are available at a subsidised cost of \$15.



Club stickers \$3



Embroidered Badges \$5



Navy blue beanies – \$12

The supplier of all Club clothing items is Hip Pocket Workwear & Safety, Balcatta.



Flat pack neoprene can coolers – \$5

09 APRIL GENERAL MEETING GUEST SPEAKER

WHO WILL SAVE ME? IT COULD BE JASON PECK, OUR GUEST SPEAKER!



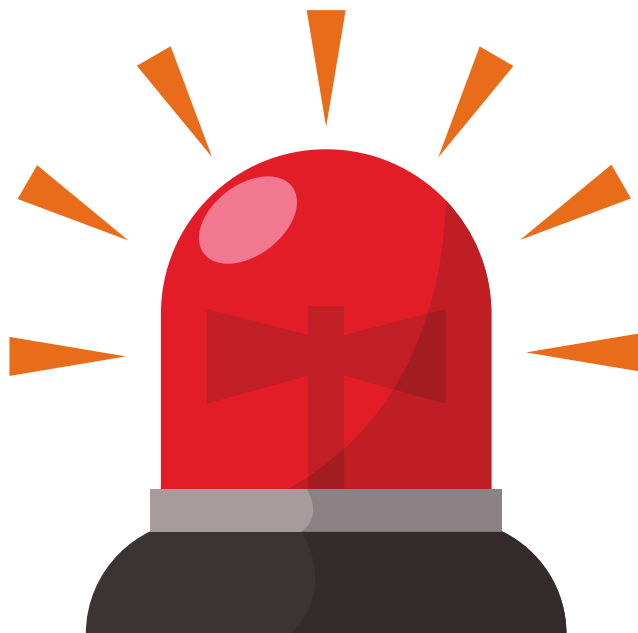
Have you ever wondered what happens when you are out in the remote Outback and it's a life-threatening emergency, so you press that Emergency Location Beacon button (because of course you always carry an ELB)?

Well, come to the **9 April General Meeting** and find out!

At the April General Meeting we are fortunate to have **Jason Peck**, an Observer on the **Australian Maritime Safety Authority Search and Rescue Jet**, as a guest speaker. He is also a club member (and son of ex-President David Peck) and has been on many club trips.

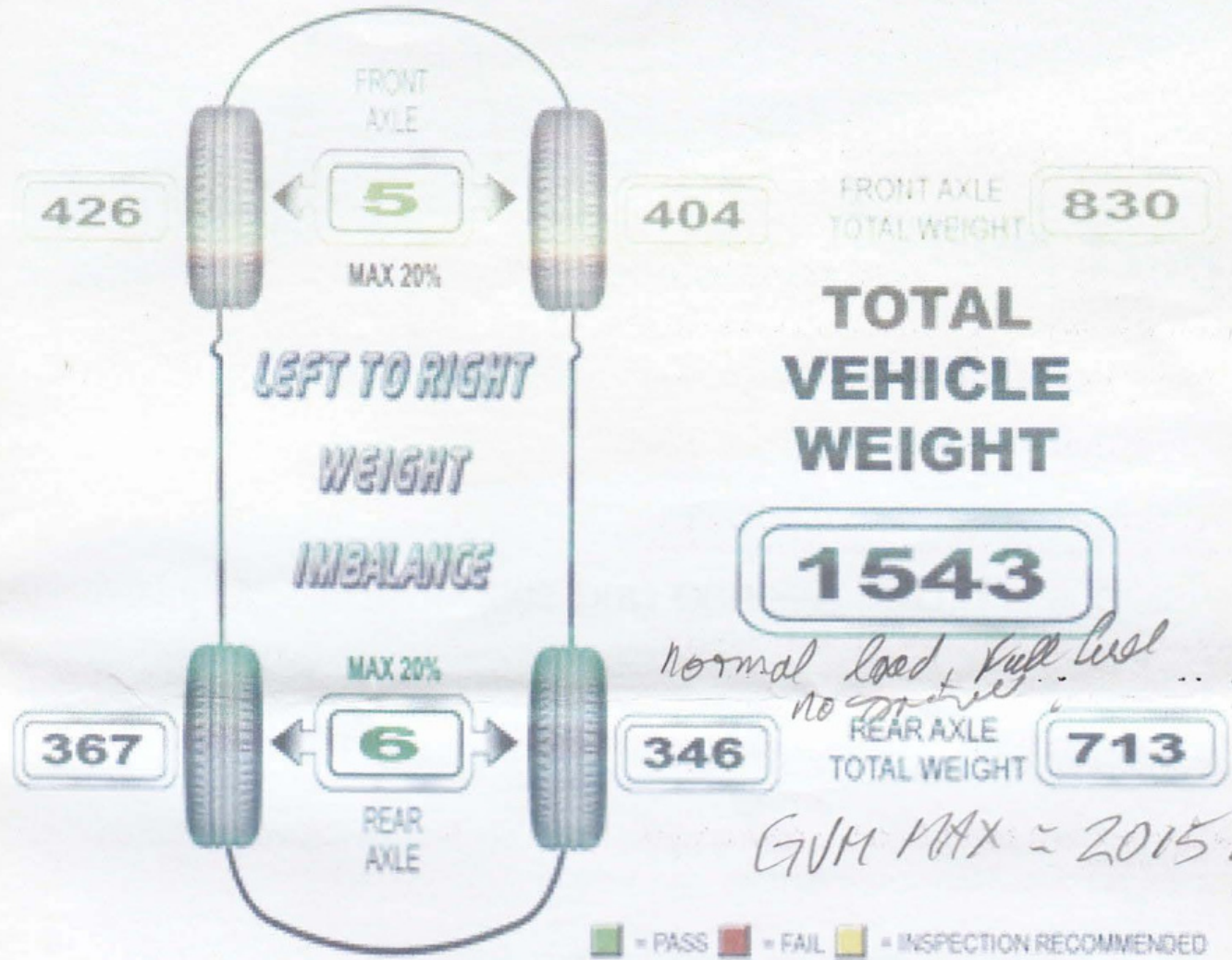
Jason, from his own lived experience, will be able to explain the process that occurs once you press that button. There might be some interesting examples he will share with us and there will be important lessons to learn.

This topic is very relevant to all of us who go out yonder so don't miss it!



OVERLOADED VEHICLES ARE DANGEROUS !

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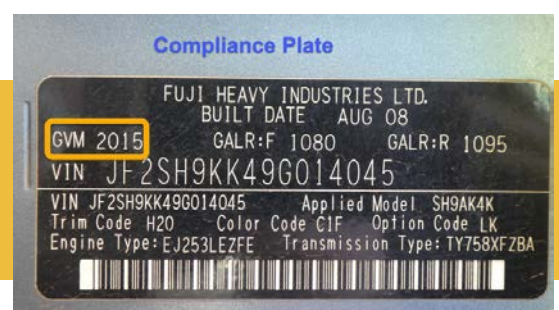
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Of Weights & Measures

Ross Mead



A significant concern when packing for a camping trip is the weight of everything we want to take. For an overnight trip, this is generally not an issue but when organising to go for an extended journey, the weight of all the things we want/need to take compared to what our vehicle is allowed to carry needs to be carefully considered.

Adrian Longwood recently gave an excellent presentation on vehicle weights and loads with particular reference to a vehicles Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM) which is the maximum allowable weight of the vehicle and load, it's Tare Weight (weight of the vehicle as produced by the vehicle manufacturer with only 10 litres of fuel in the vehicle fuel tank) and Gross Combined Mass (GCM which is the maximum weight of the vehicle and any towed load).

To answer this question of available load vs GVM for myself and my Forester, I decided to carefully assess my vehicles tare weight and the weight of all the things I intended/need to take on the recent Club trip to Jaurdi and Helena – Aurora Ranges Conservation Parks. This trip was for five nights and six days of travel in remote locations with an expected time and travel distance between resupply point of five nights and 600 km.

The first question to be answered is **What is the actual Tare Weight of my vehicle?** To do this, I took my vehicle into STechnic in Beckenham where they have the facility to accurately measure a vehicles weight. My Forester was in "standard" tare weight for my normal daily drive. Weights for trips would be in addition to my standard tare. This standard tare weight included a full fuel tank, standard vehicle fitments including front nudge bar and spotlights, alloy sump guard, CB Radio and antennae, heavy duty tow bar, roof bars, small tool kit, snatch strap and shackles, tow hitch, recovery hitch, axe, shovel and assorted items in the glove box and centre console. It did not include the driver.

According to STechnic, this base weight was 1453 kg. The vehicles GVM as shown on its Compliance and Build Plates is 2015kg. This gave me an available load weight of 472 kg.

The next step was to weigh everything (including myself) to be loaded into and onto the vehicle for the trip. This included such things as full fuel tank plus 20 litres of extra fuel, 35 litres of water, food and cooking utensils, accommodation and sleeping gear, clothes, extra spare wheel, large tool boxes and the club SubaLoo and First Aid Box. To do this, I used an electronic luggage scale (available from luggage stores) and recorded my findings into an Excel spreadsheet. This made it easy to calculate the total weight.

An example of my results is shown. The additional load over and above my standard tare was 358 kg. This gave a total weight of vehicle and load of 1901 kg. Given the Foresters GVM is 2015 kg, I had a spare load capacity of just 114kg.

When considering my findings, there was not enough spare load capacity to be able to take an extra person along with their personal requirements and extra food, water etc. To take an additional person, I would have needed to reduce my load, possibly by having someone with available load capacity to take the Subaloo and First Aid Kit which have a combined weight of approximately 19kg.

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Subaru Forester Weights			
	Kilogram	Comments	Kgs Taken
	2015 kg		
GVM	2015 kg		
Tare	1543 kg	normal travel weight with full fuel but no driver	
Available Load	472 kg		
Driver	82		82
Passenger/s			
Main toolbox	19		19
Second Toolbox	7		7
Extra Spare Wheel	21.5		21.5
Spare Wheel Carrier	16		16
Recovery Tracks	6		6
Second Battery	17		17
Solar Panels	4.5		
Long Handle Shovel	2		2
Gas Stove 2 burner	4		4
gas Bottle - 2kg	5.5		5.5
Gas Bottle - 1.25kg	4.5		
Spare oil & light Bucket	6		6
Tyre Repair Kit	1.5		1.5
jumper Leads	1		1
Cast Iron Fry Pan	2.5		
camp Oven - Large	6		
Small Table	2.5		2.5
Large Table	3		3
Chair	2		2
Chair	2		2
Chair	2		2
Fuel Container - 10L x 2	16.5		16.5
Companion 3P tent	6.5		6.5
Sleeping Bag - medium	2		2
Sleeping Mat	3		3
Personal Bag - Clothes	11		11
Cooking Box	10		10
Food Box	10.5		10.5
Fridge - full	27		27
First Aid Kit - Club	8		8
Subaloo - tent, seat, ba	10.5		10.5
Total			358.5
Remaining Available Load	Available load (472 kg) - actual load		113.5

This was a very useful exercise as I now have a database of weights to use when planning future trips. I would strongly recommend this process to all club members when planning their next camping trip.



COVERING OVER 28,000 HECTARES, JULIMAR STATE FOREST IS HOME TO A RICH DIVERSITY OF SPECIES UNDER THREAT



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Protect Julimar State Forest with
**NATIONAL PARK
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Extended!

CLOSING DATE: 11 FEBRUARY 2024

SAVE JULIMAR STATE FOREST

The Julimar Conservation and Forest Alliance are campaigning to protect the Forest from threats such as mining, clearing, uncontrolled vehicle use, feral animals, etc. This can be done through elevation to National Park status for better regulatory protection.

An e-petition has been prepared which asks the Legislative Council to support the reclassification of the Julimar State Forest to National Park Status. It can be signed online at the link below. Please note: You must be a resident of Western Australia.

<https://bit.ly/julimar-petition>

Julimar Forest is one of the last remaining areas of wandoo, marri and jarrah forests to the northeast of Perth. Its proximity to the Avon Valley National Park, the Walyunga National park and the Bindoon Training Area adds to its conservation significance.

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